

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

BURBANK et al.

Serial No.: Not yet assigned

Filed: Submitted herewith

For: HEMODILUTION CAP AND
METHODS OF USE IN BLOOD-
PROCESSING PROCEDURES

Group Art Unit: Not yet assigned

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

BOX NEW APPLICATION
Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Before the calculation of claim fees, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

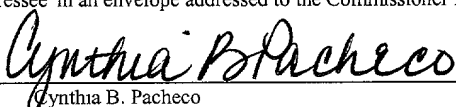
Please cancel claims 9-10, 12-14, 22-24, 26-28, 30-42, 44-45, 47-49, 51-53, and 55-57, without prejudice.

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REMARKS

Applicant requests entry of the above amendment before examination, and before calculation of claim fees for the above-identified application.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "Version with Markings to Show Changes Made."

Respectfully submitted,

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In the claims:

Claims 9–10, 12–14, 22–24, 26–28, 30–42, 44–45, 47–49, 51–53, and 55–57 have been canceled, without prejudice.